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SUBJECT: COMMENTS ON MEETING FEB 3 (SALT TWO-892)

1. AT TODAY'S MEETING SEMENOV TABLED FOLLOWING TEXT FOR PARA 4 OF ARTICLE IV: QUOTE THE PARTIES UNDERTAKE IN THE PROCESS OF MODERNIZATION AND REPLACEMENT NOT TO INCREASE THE ORIGINAL VOLUME OF ICBM SILO LAUNCHERS BY MORE THAN 32 PERCENT. WITHIN THOSE LIMITS EACH PARTY SHALL BE FREE TO DETERMINE WHETHER SUCH AN INCREASE WILL BE MADE IN INTERNAL DIAMETER OR IN DEPTH OF ICBM SILO LAUNCHERS OR IN BOTH DIMENSIONS. UNQUOTE (HE ALSO INCLUDED TEXT OF COMMON UNDERSTANDING ON MEANING OF "ORIGINAL" IDENTICAL TO LANGUAGE IN OUR FOOTNOTE TO JDT.) SEMENOV ALSO TABLED FOLLOWING TEXT FOR AGREED STATEMENT ACCOMPANYING PARA 3 OF ARTICLE XVI: QUOTE DELIBERATE CONCEALMENT MEASURES AS REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH 3 OF ARTICLE XVI ARE SPECIAL MEASURES FOR HIDING OR CAMOUFLAGING, CARRIED OUT DELIBERATELY TO HINDER OR DELIBERATELY TO IMPEDE VERIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OBLIGATIONS PROVIDED FOR IN THIS AGREEMENT BY NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS OPERATING IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH 1 OF THE ABOVE ARTICLE. UNQUOTE. REFERRING TO PROPOSALS THEY HAD

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MADE LAST YEAR TO AMEND PARA 2 OF ARTICLE XVII, HE ASKED FOR

US RESPONSE. I MADE NO STATEMENT TODAY.

2. IN OUR PRIVATE MEETING, IN RESPONSE TO MY QUESTION ON WHAT HE SAW AS THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE PROPOSAL HE HAD MADE TODAY ON SILO DIMENSIONS AND THE PREVIOUS DISCUSSION WE HAD HAD ON THE PROPER INTERPRETATION OF THE I.A. ON THIS SUBJECT, THAT IS, DID HE VIEW THE PROPOSAL THEY HAD MADE TODAY AS BEING ENTIRELY DISTINCT AND SEPARATE FROM THE QUESTION OF INTERPRETATION OF THE I.A., HE SAID HE COULD ADD NOTHING TO HIS STATEMENT WHICH HAD REPEATED THE LANGUAGE OF THEIR MOSCOW STATEMENT ON THE SUBJECT. HE ALSO REAFFIRMED LINKAGE BETWEEN SILO LAUNCHER ENLARGEMENT AND HEAVY MISSILE DEFINITION.

3. I AGREED TO SEMENOV'S PROPOSAL FOR A CHIEFS OF DELEGATION MEETING ON AFTERNOON OF FEB 5.

4. THERE WILL BE NO HIGHLIGHTS CABLE THIS MEETING.

5. NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY MORNING, FEB 6, USSR MISSION. JOHNSON

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